

Political Law Update

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Federal Lobbying Disclosure Act Filing System Update: Lobbyists Required To Provide Backup Email Address

The Senate Office of Public Records recently updated the semiannual contribution report (the LD-203) filing system to require lobbyists to provide two email addresses in their online account, an increase from the previous requirement of one email address. The two email addresses must be different and neither may be used for any other lobbyist's account. For example, a lobbyist using their work email address may add their personal email address. However, the system would not permit a lobbyist to use a compliance contact's email as the second email for multiple lobbyists. These email addresses will not be included on publicly available reports. Additionally, please note entities that file an LD-203 report as a lobbying client are still only required to list one email.

This system update is designed to allow a lobbyist to reset the password to their account should they lose access to their primary email, including — for example — when switching employers. A lobbyist may need such access to file their final LD-203 report or to file reports if they register on behalf of a new employer.

With the update in place, lobbyists accessing their LD-203 filing accounts will be required to confirm their personal contact information and provide the additional email address the next time they access the system. Lobbyists will not be permitted to file their next LD-203 report, due July 31, 2023, without completing this step.

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